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Mayor's corner

It's hard to believe but summer is upon us. And with summer comes a lot of great things to do in Tigard.

The Broadway Rose
Theatre Company begins
another outstanding season
later this month. See page 7 for
details.

The Tigard Blast is set for September 13 and will be a funfilled day of activities, a parade, and rumor has it, a classic car show, which brings great memories of years gone by and the cars we loved.

In addition to the two existing dog parks, another off-leash dog park has opened at Summerlake Park. Thanks for cleaning up after your pets and keeping pets leashed when outside the dog park.

Lastly, remember school will be out soon. Motorists – please be on lookout for kids who will be out and about in your neighborhood.



Gaarde Street improvements

Phase 2 of the Gaarde Street improvement project continues with the installation of underground vaults and conduits and the construction of retaining walls.

Gaarde Street is closed from Pacific Highway to 121st Avenue, and 121st Avenue is closed from Gaarde Street to Quail Creek Lane. The road closures were necessary to facilitate underground utility work, insure driver safety during excavation, and to minimize construction time.



Traffic in the construction areas is limited to

local access only. The city is asking motorists to observe the "Road Closed – Local Access Only" and "Road Closed to Thru Traffic" signs. Only those drivers with a destination inside the "closed" area should be utilizing the sections of Gaarde and 121st Streets that are under construction. Thru traffic may be cited for failure to obey a traffic control device.

Road closures are scheduled through July 2. To ensure a safe and efficient construction project, motorists are encouraged to use the Walnut Street detour. Detour routes are clearly marked and are posted on the city's web site, www.ci.tigard.or.us. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Grand opening for Summerlake Dog Park

Both four-legged and two-legged creatures are invited to celebrate the opening of Tigard's newest off-leash dog park at Summerlake Park on Saturday, May 31 at 11 a.m. Friendly canines welcome!

Mayor Jim Griffith will help launch the new park, and members of the Tigard Dog Park Committee will be on hand to answer questions. If you can't attend the event, but wish to contact the Dog Park Committee, try their new email address, <code>tigarddogparks@yahoo.com</code>. For further information, go to the City's web site at <code>www.ci.tigard.or.us</code>.



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CITY MEETING SCHEDULE:

City Council

2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. Town Hall

Library Board

2nd Thursday, 7 p.m. Library Puett Room

Planning Commission

1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m. Town Hall

Intergovernmental Water Board

2nd Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Tigard Water Building

TVTV Cablecast

Council business meetings are cablecast on Tualatin Valley Television channels as follows: **Live Coverage** - (Comcast) Channel 28: 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month at 7:30 p.m. **Replays** of the most recent meeting air on Channel 28: Thursdays* 9 a.m. & 11 p.m.; Fridays* 7 p.m.; Saturdays* 12 p.m.; Sundays* 4 a.m. (*Following 2nd and 4th Tuesdays)



Education ♦ Information ♦ Involvement ♦ Issues

June's "Focus on Tigard" airs Thursday, June 5, at 7 p.m. on TVTV Cable Channel 28. The program will replay throughout the month. For a complete schedule of broadcast times, visit the city's web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us and click on the link under Focus on Tigard.

The program is designed to educate, inform and involve viewers in issues and programs that impact our community.

Announcements on current and upcoming activities and events will also be included.

June - Parks

There's been some changes make in Tigard's park!

What new facilities are available? How can I reserve a picnic shelter?

What's planned for next year?

The Focus for Upcoming Months:

August: Affordable Housing

July: Land Use 101

Tune In! If you have Focus ideas, contact Liz Newton at liz@ci.tigard.or.us or 503-639-4171, ext. 2412.

Coming to a neighborhood near you

Tigard staff are beginning a new adventure to help them connect with the citizens of Tigard and enhance their knowledge of every area of the city. The program is called the Community Assessment Program (CAP). As part of the program, the city has been divided into approximately 45 sub-areas that can be walked within a couple of hours on Wednesday afternoons. Each week, representatives from city departments walk an area and evaluate its needs and opportunities. The intent is to walk all areas of the City each year. On the walks, if an issue is observed, follow-up action is assigned. Follow-up action may be immediate (a street sign that is missing may be replaced) or delayed (needed street improvements are placed on the City's Capital Improvement Program list.)

Log onto the City's web site at *www.ci.tigard.or.us* or watch upcoming issues of the *Cityscape* to see when we will be coming to your neighborhood. If you see us outside in your area, feel free to talk to us, ask us questions and share your own observations.

Areas to be walked in June: June 4: Area 39; June 11: Areas 31 & 32; June 18: Area 23; June 26: Area 14 (See city's web site for area map.)



Summer volunteer activities

You can help and enjoy summer at the same time

Storm drain stenciling - Stencil the message "Dump no waste, drains directly to stream" at catch basins in the streets in your neighborhood, near your church or business. This task can only be done on dry, windless days. A good job for groups and families, the stenciled message reminds people that our streams and wetlands are impacted by our actions. Wildlife and fish benefit from cleaner water. So join the effort to get the message out.

Parks - Help keep Tigard parks safe, usable and attractive by assisting parks staff with litter pick-up, weeding, grooming soft trails, and other ongoing tasks. Help is needed on weekdays, evenings and weekends. Take your pick: help in Cook, Summerlake, Woodard, Jack or Northview park. A few hours of your time can make a big difference. These are your parks. Help keep them clean and in good order.

Clerical - Various city departments can use help with basic clerical tasks – data entry, copying, filing, short-term projects.

Library - Stay cool and find yourself a good book or video as you help in the library this summer.

To get involved, call City of Tigard Volunteer Coordinator, Susan Koepping at 503-639-4171, ext. 2402 or the Library Volunteer Coordinator, Trish Stormont at 503-684-6537, ext. 2516 or visit our web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us.

Is your basketball hoop legal?

As the weather warms, many people start to enjoy outside activities. Sport and play items come out of the garage and people start looking for places to put them. Often times, basketball hoops end up in the street, planter strip, or on the sidewalk. Such obstructions cause increased risk to drivers and pedestrians such as the elderly, persons with disabilities, people with children in strollers and the sight impaired. **Some ideas for safer,**

legal basketball hoop placement include:

- Mounting the hoop to your home.
- Cementing the hoop in your driveway.
- Putting a mobile hoop in your driveway next to your home or just behind the curb skirt (the area of sidewalk that slopes) and using the driveway as the "court."
- Leveling a small area in your landscape, just big enough for the mobile hoop to stand flat in an otherwise sloped yard.
- Putting the hoop in the backyard and using the deck or patio as the "court."

Obstructing the street, sidewalk or planter strip is a violation of city code, with potential penalties of \$250 per day. If items in your neighborhood are blocking these areas, start with the friendly step and talk to your neighbors. This usually results in a pleasant solution, and keeps the neighborhood safe and in compliance. However, if you have a neighbor who does not abide by the code, you may contact code enforcement at 503-639-4171, ext. 2441. You will need to provide the address of the property you are reporting. All complaints are public record; anonymous complaints will not be investigated. For your convenience, you may also review Tigard Municipal Codes at www.ci.tigard.or.us/business/municipal code.

Old tire round up!

June 8, 2003, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Washington County Fairgrounds

City of Tigard and other Washington County residents will have an opportunity to dispose of old, unwanted tires. For this one-time, one-day, one-dollar-pertire event, residents will be able to dispose of passenger car, SUV, and other smaller tires. Tires must be off the rim and free of dirt and debris. Residents will be assessed a \$5 per-tire cleaning fee for dirty tires.



The disposal fee for tires over 33" in diameter will be \$5 per tire. Tractor, commercial and earth-mover tires will not be accepted.

Unused tires, if allowed to collect water, can become a breeding ground for mosquitoes. Mosquitoes play a role in the transmission of the West Nile Virus. Removing stagnant

water can help stop the spread of this serious disease.

This event is sponsored by the Cooperative Recycling Program of Washington County and the City of Tigard is a member of this cooperative. For further information, please call the Cooperative Recycling Program at 503-846-8609.



Shelf 🖫 Life

News from the Tigard Library

Library Events Calendar

June 3	7-8:30 p.m.	Tigard Library's Mystery Night-Puett Rm
June 4	6-9 p.m.	SAT Class-Puett Rm
June 10	10-11:30 a.m.	New Parent Network Playgroup (Reg. req'd, 503-846-2139)-Town Hall
June 13	6-8 p.m.	Friday Night Music with Deja Blue-Puett Rm
June 13		Summer Reading Starts "Read, Discover, Explore!"
June 21	4-5 p.m.	Leapin' Louie-Fanno Creek Park
June 24	10-10:30 a.m.	Stories & Crafts-Puett Rm
June 25	1:30-2:30 p.m.	OMSI Imagineering! (grades 4-12)-Puett Rm
June 26	2-3 p.m.	BJ the Clown-Water Bldg. Auditorium
June 27	10-10:30 a.m.	Little People Story Time with Terri (Ages 3 and under)-Puett Rm
June 28	10 a.mnoon	Crafts and Songs for Story Time in Spanish (Reg. req'd, 503-466-1894)-Puett Rm

For more information on library programs, visit our web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us. Library programs are free unless noted otherwise. Some library programs require registration. To sign up, call 503-684-6537.

READ! DISCOVER! EXPLORE!

2003 Summer Reading at Tigard Public Library presented by the Oregon Library Association

The adventure begins Friday, June 13!

Kids through Grade 5

Take a trip through books this

summer. Read for fun, discover new worlds, explore new ideas, and have a great time! Sign up for your Passport to Adventure, keep track of your reading and get fun rewards. It's fun! It's free! Special events every week and a world of reading awaits!



Teen Summer Reading

Read for fun all summer and every

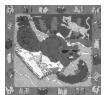
time you visit the library get your card punched at the reference desk and receive special incentives (for grades 5 and up).

Special events all summer long. Finishers receive a ticket to Oaks Park on August 14th, and lots of other great prizes!

Summer Reading Kickoff party

Leapin' Louie Saturday, June 21, 4 to 5 p.m.,

Fanno Creek Park, all ages



Yes, he's back!
Leapin Louie the
Lithuanian Jewish
Cowboy! His unique
performance combines sketch comedy,

trick roping, juggling and other surprises which make him a true clown of the modern West. Audience participation a must! Stay after the program for special surprises.

Where's Waldo at the library?

Each Wednesday, beginning
June 25, Waldo will be
hiding somewhere in the
library! Explore the nooks
and crannies and when you
discover him, tell the reference desk
staff where you found him to receive a
special surprise.

BJ the Clown and Company

Thursday, June 26, 2 to 3 p.m.,

Water Building Auditorium, all ages Nobody knows more than BJ about what makes children laugh. A highenergy, laughter-filled performance with flying balloons, juggling, dancing, music & lots of audience participation.





Hard Hat Report

A Peek Into the Future! By Margaret Barnes Tigard Public Library Director

Because it will be more than a year before we step into the new library, how about a sneak preview? Many of the public's ideas have been incorporated into the final design.

For example, the new, improved children's area will be separated from the rest of the library on the first floor. With three times more room and its own programming space, our youngest patrons will be able to giggle, sing and read aloud without disturbing fellow library users.

For those looking for peace and quiet to study, several seating areas on both floors will offer solace. Travel to the second floor and enjoy quiet group study rooms as well as the comfortable Houghton Reading Room—a peaceful spot with a calming view.

If you prefer electronic research, the new Tigard Library will boast three times as many Internet workstations. A special young adult area and a separate room dedicated to Oregon history will also occupy the second floor. Both the large print and new book collections will be located near comfy seating.

A new community meeting room will seat up to 160 people. Located next to the main library, it can be used even when the library is closed. For a more detailed look at the new library's floor plans, log onto www.ci.tigard.or.us/library/new_library.

Summer volunteer opportunities

Check out the variety of volunteer jobs at the library! Summer volunteers are needed to assist with Children's Summer Reading Program events, checking in books and videos, and shelving, among other tasks. You must be at least 12 years old and typical shifts are 2 hours.

Applications for volunteers are available at the library or at *www.ci.tigard.or.us/library/volunteer*. Questions? Contact Library Vol. Coord. Trish Stormont at *trish@ci.tigard.or.us* or 503-684-6537, ext. 2516.

Utilizando canciones y manualidades con cuentos en Español

Saturday, June 28, 10 a.m. to noon, Puett Room, registration required

Learn how to incorporate music, songs, rhymes and craft projects into your preschool curriculum using materials you have on hand. Childcare class taught in Spanish, no English will be spoken. For adults and childcare providers seeking CDA credit. To register, call Anat Shenker at 503-466-1894. A WCCLS program.

Story Time!!

Story times continue all summer! Come read with us, discover the fun of books and songs, and explore great ways to enjoy stories!

Stories and Crafts

Tuesdays beginning June 24, 10 to 10:30 a.m., Puett Room, all ages. Each Tuesday we will take the words right off the pages of some great stories and explore ways to make something fun to take home. Imaginations required!

Little People Story Time

Fridays, beginning June 27, 10 to 10:30 a.m., Puett Room, ages 3 and under. Join us with your little one for stories, songs, and activities.

OMSI ~ Imagineering!

Wednesday, June 25, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Puett Room, 4th grade and up. Class limited to 25

Want to explore your imagination and discover your creativity? Then this dynamic engineering class is for you. Try your problem solving skills as you design and build unique, motorized writing machines that you take home.

Deja Blue entertains

Friday, June 13, 6 to 8 p.m., Puett Room



Deja Blue band members mix their bluegrass licks liberally with folk, country roots music and comedy for all ages.

Deja Blue's members have shared the stage with Willie Nelson, The Oak Ridge Boys, Rose Maddox, Ricky Skaggs, The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Bill Monroe, Riders in the Sky, Tiny Tim, Pete Seeger and others.

This performance is funded in part by WCCLS Arts in Libraries.

Mysteries to die for!

Don't be left clueless! Tigard Library's Annual Mystery night is **Tuesday, June 3, 7 to 8:30 p.m.** in the Puett Room. Hear library staff talk about a variety of mystery favorites.



Subdivision proposals in Tigard

The following potential subdivision plans are in preliminary stages and based on pre-application conferences with the City of Tigard. Plans have not been finalized. If the applicant goes forward with the project, a neighborhood meeting will be scheduled by the developer/applicant prior to a formal application with the city. Notice of the meeting is sent to property owners within 500 feet of the proposed development.

For more information and a site plan of each proposal, visit the City of Tigard web site at *www.ci.tigard.or.us*. City staff can be contacted at 503-639-4171.

Proposal #1: "Un-Named"

Location: 13230 SW 154th Ave.

Subject: 1.36 acres into 9-11 lots Zoning is R-25, 1,480 square foot lots.

City Staff: Morgan Tracy, Brian Rager

Proposal #2: "Un-Named"Location: 7421 SW Landau St.Subject: 1.93 acres into 9 lots - Zoning is

R-4.5, 7,500 square foot lots.

City Staff: Matt Scheidegger, Brian Rager

Proposal #3: Meyers Farm No. 2 **Location:** SW Bull Mountain Road at the intersection of SW 164th Ave.

Subject: 10.15 acres into 45 lots - Zoning is R-7, 5,000 square foot lots. **City Staff:** Morgan Tracy, Brian Rager

Proposal #4: "Un-Named"

Location: 14800 SW 139th Avenue; south of SW Bull Mountain Road, currently served by private road SW 139th Ave.

Subject: 5.32 acres into 20 lots - Zoning is R-7, 5,000 square foot lots.

City Staff: Brad Kilby, Brian Rager

Window Fall Prevention

By Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue

Each year, Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue responds to incidents involving children falling from windows. Most of these incidents occur during the warmer spring and summer months. In some cases particularly when children have fallen from second-story windows, injuries can be serious.

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue reminds you that window screens are designed to keep **Bugs Out** *not* **Kids In!** Screens are not strong enough to withstand the weight of a child, even a young toddler. To help you avoid a tragedy, we encourage you to take some simple precautions:

- Talk to your children about the risk of window falls and remind them to stay away from windows.
- Keep furniture (beds, dressers, shelves) away from windows to reduce your child's temptation to climb near the window.
- Install safety devices to limit how far your windows open. These include wooden dowels and small metal locking clips available at home improvement stores. NOTE: Whatever device you use, ensure that it is easily removed should you have to exit your home due to fire!

Share this information with grandparents, babysitters and anyone else who cares for your child. For tips on other safety issues, visit the TVFR website at www.tvfr.com.

Summer water saving programs

Here in the Pacific Northwest, our water supply seems endless. However, with population growth, dry summers, system constraints and climate changes, water is not always as plentiful as it may seem.

Saving water is especially important in summer because people typically use two to three times more water while rainfall declines. Known as "summer peaking" this increased demand is a concern. During these times, water can be drawn from our reservoirs so quickly that we may not have an adequate supply for emergencies and firefighting.

To "beat the peak," the City of Tigard has two great summer water-saving programs:

- 1) Even/odd watering. This will be the third summer of this successful program. Thank you to all participants! This is a voluntary plan, but this simple change in your watering habits will make a huge difference in the daily water peak. Here's how it works:
 - If your address ends in an even number = only water on even days of the month
 - If your address ends in an odd number = only water on odd days of the month
- **2)** Water Smart Rebate Program. The City of Tigard would like to help their customers maintain healthy landscapes while also reducing their water bills. To do this, we are offering rebates for certain landscape services and products. To find out more about this program visit our web site at *www.ci.tigard.or.us* or contact Sara Danz at 503-718-2599.



Congratulations to Al Dickman and Dan Brenner, Employees of the Month for May 2003!

Al and Dan both work for the public works department. Al started working for the city in February of 1979 and is a Senior Utility Worker with the Wastewater/Storm unit. Dan is a Utility Worker II with the same unit and he began working for Tigard in December of 1998. We are recognizing them for their outstanding achievement in saving the city time and money. These individuals improved the overall efficiency of our pipeline video inspection program and reduced the personnel required to operate this equipment from two to one.

During a six-month trial of this project conducted by Al and Dan, they saved \$6,875 in direct labor costs, increased their average daily footage by 36%, and freed up an average of 236 hours for Al to work on other operational priorities. It was a huge success and these efforts have been incorporated into standard operating procedures for the pipeline video work.

Due to Al and Dan's belief that things can always be improved, this program is better than ever. We salute their efforts and wish them both a great month of May!



Help protect our drinking water

The following items need backflow prevention devices:

Pools and Spas – Chlorine and other chemicals used in pools and spas can be hazardous if allowed to siphon into the drinking water system. To avoid this, do not let the end of the hose touch the water when filling your pool or spa.

Solar Heating Systems – Solar heating systems often use a liquid that is toxic. If a leak occurs, a backflow preventino device can prevent the potable water in the system from becoming contaminated.

Heating and Cooling System – Heating and cooling systems that use potable water can pose a hazard because water within those systems may have chemical additives. Also, water in these systems often sits for long periods. A backflow prevention device stops the chemical additives and stagnant water from coming in contact with our water supply.

For more information on backflow prevention, contact Hung Nguyen at *hung@ci.tigard.or.us* or 503-718-2603.

Curtain up on 12th summer season

The Broadway Rose Theatre Company opens its summer season on June 27th with the Broadway favorite, *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*. This 1961 Tony Award winning musical and recipient of a Pulitzer Prize for Drama has thrilled audiences for more than four decades and was revived on Broadway in 1995 starring Matthew Broderick.

How to Succeed plays June 27–July 13. The remainder of the season includes a mystery-comedy, Murder is a Game, playing July 17–27; and a hilarious new musical comedy, Pete 'n' Keely, playing July 31-August 17. The Children's Productions are Beauty and the Beast playing July 9–12 and Silly Goose playing August 13–16.

Performances will be at the Deb Fennell Auditorium, 9000 SW Durham Road in Tigard. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Broadway Rose box office 503-620-5262 or online at www.broadwayrose.com.

Sewer rate increase scheduled for July 1

Clean Water Services (CWS) will increase the sanitary sewer rate by 3.5 percent—or about 88 cents per month for the average customer—effective July 1, 2003. There is no change proposed to the surface water management fee.

The rate increase will pay for debt service on bonds issued for the upgrade and expansion of Clean Water Services' four wastewater treatment facilities; to meet new federal and state clean water regulations; and maintain the health and vitality of the Tualatin River Basin.

CWS cleans 72 million gallons of wastewater a day for nearly 500,000 customers. As Tigard's surface water management utility, CWS manages flooding, prevents pollution, builds stream enhancement projects and protects fish habitat. Partnering with 12 member cities, CWS is planning for our future water needs.

For more information about Clean Water Services go to the CWS web site at www.cleanwaterservices.org or call 503-846-8621.



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Tigard City Council Action Recap!

For additional information about any of the items listed below, please contact City Recorder Cathy Wheatley at 503-639-4171, ext. 2410. Council packet information can be found on the city's web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us or at the library. Audio and video tape recordings of most meetings are also available at the library. For the cable television schedule of broadcast Council meetings, see page 2.

City Council Meeting highlights for the past month

- Adopted a Resolution in Appreciation of Paul Brems, Tigard High School Student Envoy to the City of Tigard during the 2002/03 school year
- Approved a Transportation and Growth Management Grant application to prepare a downtown redevelopment plan
- · Heard an update on the new library
- Heard an introduction to the Community Assessment Program
- Continued to discuss and consider whether to adopt a street maintenance fee
- Amended the Capital Improvement Program Budget for the Fiscal Year 2002-03

- Held a joint meeting with the Library Board
- Heard an annual report on the Tigard Municipal Court
- Heard a status report on Metro Goal 5
- Heard an update on local, county, and state affordable housing
- Heard a presentation on the City of Tigard 2003 almanac
- Heard an update from Senator Burdick and State Representative Williams
- Approved Fanno Creek Park Master Plan

Future Council Agenda Items

- New Library update
- Update master fee schedule
- Certify City of Tigard provides services qualifying for state shared revenues
- Elect to receive state shared revenues
- Adopt the 2003-04 Capital Improvement Program priority list
- · Adopt the 2003-04 city budget
- Discuss trends for in-fill development
- Discuss the right-of-way management study report
- Approve Municipal Judge's contract
- Hear an update from Senator Burdick and State Representative Williams